



## Administrative and Customer Services Division

# *Data Developments*

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### **Current Population Survey, October 1996: School Enrollment**

*[machine-readable data file] / conducted by the Bureau of the Census for the Bureau of Labor Statistics. -Washington: Bureau of the Census [producer and distributor], 1997.*

#### **Type of File**

Microdata; unit of observation is individuals within housing units.

#### **Universe Description**

The universe consists of all persons in the civilian noninstitutional population of the United States living in households. The probability sample selected to represent the universe consists of approximately 57,000 households.

#### **Subject-Matter Description**

Data are provided on labor force activity for the week prior to the survey. Comprehensive data are available on the employment status, occupation, and industry of persons 15 years old and over. Also shown are personal characteristics such as age, sex, race, marital status, veteran status, household relationship, educational background, and Hispanic origin.

The file also contains information on school enrollment that includes the following items: current grade attending at a public or private school, whether attending college full or part-time at a 2 or 4-year institution, year last attended a regular school, and year graduated from high school.

#### **Geographic Coverage**

States, regions and divisions are identified in their entirety. Within confidentiality restrictions; indicators are provided for consolidated metropolitan statistical areas (CMSA), 173 selected metropolitan statistical areas (MSA), 69 selected primary metropolitan statistical areas (PMSA), 217 counties, and 41 central cities in multi-central city metropolitan statistical areas or primary metropolitan statistical areas. Also within confidentiality restrictions, indicators are provided for metropolitan/nonmetropolitan, central city/balance metropolitan, MSA/CMSA size and MSA/PMSA size.

#### **Technical Description**

File Structure: Rectangular

File Size: 135,845 logical records; 982 character logical record length.

File Sort Sequence: State rank by CMSA/MSA rank by household identification number by line number.

## Reference Materials

*Current Population Survey, October 1996: School Enrollment Technical Documentation.* Documentation contains this abstract, questionnaire facsimiles, and record layouts of the file. One copy accompanies each file order. Additional copies are available from Administrative and Customer Services Division, Customer Services, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233.

Bureau of the Census. The Current Population Survey: Design and Methodology (Technical Paper 40) (out of print). Describes in detail the sample design and survey procedures used as well as accuracy of estimates and sampling errors. Reference copies should be available from most public libraries or Federal Depository Libraries.

## Related Printed Reports

Bureau of the Census. Current Population Reports. Series P20, No. 492. School Enrollment - Social Characteristics of Students: October 1995. Available on the Internet through CenStats at <http://www.census.gov> Population Paper Listing (PPL-55) is available from Statistical Information Staff, Population Division, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233-8800. Telephone (301) 457-2422.

Bureau of the Census. Current Population Reports. Series P20, No. 487. School Enrollment - Social and Economic Characteristics of Students: October 1994. Available from the U.S. Government Printing Office, Superintendent of Documents, Washington, DC 20402. S/N 803-005-00089-3. \$14. Also available on the internet at <http://www.census.gov>

Bureau of the Census. Current Population Reports. Series P20, No. 479. School Enrollment - Social and Economic Characteristics of Students: October 1993. S/N 803-005-00080-0. \$11.

## File Availability

The file may be ordered from Administrative and Customer Services Division using the Customer Services order form on the following page. The file is available on 9 track tape reel in ASCII or EBCDIC format, labeled or unlabeled, 6250 bpi. The file also can be made available on IBM 3480-compatible tape cartridge or CD-R (compact disc-recordable) in ASCII format.